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SUBJECT: KOREA AT 31ST UNGA; CORE GROUP MEETING

MAY 18

REF: A) USUN 2089; B) USUN 1838

1. APPRECIATE REPORT REF A ON MAY 11 MEETING.

2. OPTIONS PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED SHOULD BE MAIN FOCUS
OF DISCUSSIONS AT UPCOMING MEETING STRESSING ONCE AGAIN
IMPORTANCE OF CONSIDERING ACTUAL LANGUAGE FOR POSSIBLE
RESOLUTION. WE NOTE SOME CORE GROUP MEMBERS EMPHASIZED
AT LAST MEETING THAT SUCH RESOLUTION MUST STAND ON OWN
MERITS, REGARDLESS OF WHAT TACTICAL MANEUVERS MAY BE
CONTEMPLATED. THIS POINT SHOULD BE REITERATED. IN ANY
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CASE, BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE THAT CORE GROUP ESTABLISH

TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETING DRAFT TEXT OF FRIENDLY RESOLUTION. MID-JUNE IS NOT TOO EARLY. BY THAT TIME, RESULTS OF NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING WILL BE KNOWN AND OUTLINES OF HOSTILE RESOLUTION SHOULD BE CLEAR.

3. RE POSSIBLE USE OF NORTH KOREA'S 1961 TREATIES WITH CHINA AND SOVIET UNION FOR LOBBYING PURPOSES (PARA 8, REF B), SUGGEST THAT CORE GROUP MEMBERS AT LEAST BE

PREPARED TO POINT TO EXISTENCE OF THESE TREATIES (TEXTS OF BOTH HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO USUN FOR POSSIBLE DUPLICATION) WHICH PROVIDE ESSENTIALLY FOR SAME ASSISTANCE GUARANTEES AS THOSE OF US-ROK 1954 MUTUAL SECURITY TREATY.

4. YOU MAY ALSO NOTE THAT ONLY TREATY WITH SOVIET UNION PROVIDES FOR AUTOMATIC 5-YEAR EXTENSIONS FOLLOWING INITIAL 10-YEAR PERIOD THAT TREATY WAS IN FORCE. WHILE NORTH KOREA COULD USE KIM IL-SUNG'S POSSIBLE VISIT TO MOSCOW THIS YEAR AS OPPORTUNITY TO EXTEND THAT TREATY, SUCH A FORMAL ACT IS UNNECESSARY AS WE INTERPRET RELEVANT TREATY PROVISIONS. MOREOVER, SHOULD ITS TREATY WITH SOVIET UNION BE FORMALLY EXTENDED, NORTH KOREA MIGHT ALSO AND INDEED EXPECT SIMILAR TREATMENT FROM CHINA. IT PROBABLY WOULD PREFER NOT TO BRING THIS KIND OF ATTENTION TO ITSELF DURING A PERIOD WHEN IT IS TRYING TO ESTABLISH ITS CREDENTIALS AS A NEW MEMBER OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT.

5. DATA ON TROOP PRESENCE IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES ALSO HAS BEEN FORWARDED AND CAN BE USED AS APPROPRIATE. KISSINGER

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